

## House Resolution No. 2495

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished herself as a leader of her community; and

**Whereas**, Dorothy Heltibrand, ACSW, an esteemed resident of St. Louis, Missouri, is the first recipient of the Mary Lacy Hayes Award, which is given to an individual for dedication to women, children, and families; and

**Whereas**, Dorothy Heltibrand has served as Executive Director of the Family Support Network for thirteen years, during which time she has committed her time and talents to strengthening young children and their families through the many programs and services the Family Support Network offers, including the Pathways program at the Olive Branch Shelter; and

**Whereas**, beginning in 1990, Dorothy Heltibrand and the Family Support Network began committing an early education specialist to the young women and their children living at the Olive Branch Shelter; and

**Whereas**, through the Pathways program, the young mothers who live at the Olive Branch Shelter receive the prenatal care and training they need to become healthy, competent mothers; and

**Whereas**, Dorothy Heltibrand has worked tirelessly to continue the collaboration with the Olive Branch Shelter by helping to secure funding as well as providing an early education specialist to assist the young women in their parenting challenges, reducing the at-risk factors for young, sheltered families; and

**Whereas**, in addition to her collaboration with the Olive Branch Shelter, Dorothy Heltibrand has instituted several programs through the Family Support Network that strive to help keep young children and their caregivers together, stronger than ever:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and best wishes to Dorothy Heltibrand at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dorothy Heltibrand.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Margaret Donnelly  
District No. 73

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2495, adopted May 3, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker